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Dr. James L. Liverman Acting Assistant Secretary for Environment Department of Energy Washington, D.C. 20545

Dear Dr. Liverman:

Consistent with the notice of hearing issued on Monday, April 24, 1978 (43 F.R. 17391) public hearings were held on the Draft Environmental Impact Statement "Rocky Flats Plant Site", (ERDA-1545-D) in Denver, Colorado, on May 24 and 25, 1978. The hearings were conducted by the undersigned Presiding Board in conformance with the procedures set forth in the notice.

Following review of the draft environmental impact statement and of the record compiled to date, the Board has identified a number of issues which may be critical to future decision making. The attached report sets forth these issues, as well as the Board's recommendations concerning their treatment in the final environmental statement.

In addition, the Board has compiled a record of the hearings, consisting of the transcripts, and the written statements, documents, and exhibits submitted by private persons, organizations and Government agencies, (including the written comments submitted after the close of the hearings in response to Board request). This record has been sent to the Department's public documents room.

In accordance with the notice of hearing and the mandate to this Board, we have limited our report to those unresolved issues relating to ERDA-1545-D which the Board determined to be critical to future decision making regarding the Rocky Flats Plant Site. The Board has neither

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711KS 20-7A undertaken to resolve the issues raised nor to render judgments concerning such issues, however, we trust that their identification and our recommendations on how they should be addressed in the final environmental impact statement will assist the decision-making process.

Respectfully,

THE PRESIDING BOARD

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John B. Farmakides, Chairman

Enclosure: As stated